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Application No.: 10/791,211 §  
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For: METHOD FOR ACCELERATING § Examiner: Thomas S. Bomar  
OIL WELL CONSTRUCTION AND §  
PRODUCTION PROCESSES AND §  
HEATING DEVICE THEREFOR §

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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**I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

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**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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